



Monday, March 23, 2020

2020 GIC Cancellation & Hold the Date

Dear Colleagues,

During these challenging and surreal times, we are becoming familiar with terms such as social distancing, self-quarantine, and shelter in place. We have repeatedly asked the question, does “*cancellation*” have one “L” or two?” In honour of our host country, we include two. But this is still a difficult message to write.

Conference Cancellation and Online Content for 2020

We are cancelling the GIC 2020 Conference scheduled to take place in Vancouver, June 9-12, 2020. However, during the days the conference was expected to take place, we will be offering a range of curated content from the conference in a virtual format. This will be offered free to all who want to attend. Please continue to hold the June dates in your calendar and watch this space for further information.

We will bring the community together for discussion and debate while encouraging continued networking and new ideas. We are entering a new world, and we are entering it together.

Registration for 2021 and Refunds

The Global Internship Conference will return to North America in June 2021.

Paid registrants, exhibitors and sponsors can transfer their registration to the GIC 2021 at the same rate. Full refunds will be processed for those who provide notice or complete the cancellation form before **May 1, 2020**. If we do not hear from you or the cancellation form is not completed by that date, we will assume you are planning to join for the GIC 2021 Conference.

For additional information about the conference including pre-conference activities or hotel reservations please visit our FAQ section [here](#).

BCCIE International Education Awards

Now more than ever, let’s take the time to celebrate our colleagues. BCCIE (British Columbia Council for International Education) is seeking nominations for their 11th Annual BCCIE International Education Awards which will go ahead in a different format. The Awards recognize the efforts of an exemplary group of experts and practitioners in the field of international education in British Columbia. Nominations can be submitted for the following four categories: Outstanding Program in International Education Award; Rising Star in International Education Award; Excellence in International Education Marketing Award; and, International Education Distinguished Leadership Award. [Submit a nomination](#). The deadline for nominations has been extended to **April 3, 2020**.

We are grateful for our community within international experiential education and look forward to convening soon. As always, if questions or concerns please do reach out.

Be well,

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